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LAWS and ACTS

OF

PARLIAMENT,

Of Our most High and Dread SOVEREIGN,

ANNE,

By the Grace of GOD, *Queen of* SCOTLAND, ENGLAND, FRANCE *and* IRELAND, *Defender of the Faith.*

Holden and Begun at *Edinburgh*, the Sixth Day of *May* 1703.

By His Grace James *Duke of* Queensberry, *Marqueſs of* Dumfreis-Shire, *Earl of* Drumlanrig *and* Sanquhar, *Viſcount of* Nith, Torthorwald, *and* Roſs, *Lord* Dowglaſs *of* Kinmount, Midlebie *and* Dornock, *&c.* Principal Secretary of State for the Kingdom of *SCOTLAND*, one of the Lords of Her Majeſties moſt Honourable Privy Council, Theſaury and Exchequer, an Extraordinary Lord of Seſſion, and Knight of the moſt Noble Order of the Garter.

Her Majeſties High Commiſſioner for holding the ſame.

By Vertue of a Commiſſion under the Great-Seal of this Kingdom.

With the ſpecial Advice and Conſent of the Eſtates of Parliament.

Collected and Extracted from the Regiſters and Records of Parliament, By Sir James Murray *of* Philiphaugh, *Knight and Baronet, one of the Senators of the Colledge of Juſtice, Clerk to the Parliament, and to Her Majeſties Councils, Exchequer, Regiſters and Rolls,* &c.

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OF

PARLIAMENT,

OVER-RULED BY

A N N E,

By the Grace of God, Queen of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith.

Begun and Held at Edinburgh, the Sixth Day of May 1703.

In the Fifth Year of Her Reign.

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PARLIAMENT,

Of our moſt High and Dread SOVEREIGN,

ANNE,

By the Grace of GOD, Queen of Scotland, England, France *and* Ireland, *Defender of the Faith.*

Holden and Begun at Edinburgh *the ſixth of* May 1703.

I.

ACT *Aſſerting and Recognizing Her Majeſties Authority.*

May 19. 1703.

THE Eſtates of Parliament, Conſidering, That by the Death of the late King *William* of ever Glorious Memory, The Crown and Royal Dignity of this Kingdom is by Right Devolved upon Queen *ANNE* our preſent Gracious Sovereign, conform to the Declaration of the Eſtates of this Kingdom, *Therefore*, The Eſtates of Parliament for themſelves, and in Name and

Behalf of the hail Subjects of this Kingdom, Assert, Recognize and acknowledge Her Majesties undoubted Right and Title to the Imperial Crown of this Kingdom: And Her Majesty with Advice and Consent of the said Estates of Parliament, doth *Statute* and *Declare*, that it is and shall be high Treason in any of the Subjects of this Kingdom, to Disown, Quarrel or Impugn Her Majesties Right and Title to the Crown of this Kingdom, or Her Exercise of the Government thereof, from her actual Entry to the same.

III.

ACT *For securing the true Protestant Religion and Presbyterian Government.*

September. 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY, the Queens Majesty, with Advice and Consent of the Estates of Parliament, Ratifies, Approves and perpetually Confirms all Laws, Statutes and Acts of Parliament made against Popery and Papists; And for Establishing, Maintaining and Preserving the true reformed Protestant Religion, and the true Church of Christ, as at present owned and settled within this Kingdom: *As likeways* for Establishing Ratifying and Confirming Presbyterian Church Government and Discipline; *That is to say*, the Government of the Church by Kirk-Sessions, Presbytries, Provincial Synods, and General Assemblies, as agreeable to the Word of GOD, and the only Government of Christs Church within this Kingdom, and particularly without prejudice to the generality foresaid, Her Majesty with Advice and Consent foresaid, Ratifies, Approves and Confirms the Fifth Act of the Second Session of King *William* and Queen *Maries* Parliament, Intituled *Act Ratifying the Confession of Faith, and settling Presbyterian Church Government*, in the hail Heads, Clauses and Articles thereof, as if at length herein set down; But prejudice nevertheless to the Twenty seventh Act of the fifth Session of King *Williams* Parliament, Intituled, *Act concerning the Church*, as to the allowance therein given to certain Ministers not actually assumed by the established Church Judicatories, under the Conditions and Provisions always expressed in the said Act.

III.

III.

ACT Ratifying the turning the Meeting of the Estates in the Year 1689 into a Parliament.

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY, with Advice and Consent of the Estates of Parliament Ratifies, Approves and perpetually Confirms, the first Act of King *William* and Queen *Maries* Parliament, dated the fifth of *June* one thousand six hundred and eighty nine, Intituled, Act *declaring the Meeting of the Estates to be a Parliament*; And of new Enacts and Declares, that the three Estates then met together the said fifth of *June* one thousand six hundred and eighty nine, Consisting of Noblemen, Barrons and Burrows were a lawful and free Parliament: And it is declared, that it shall be high Treason for any person to Disown, Quarrel or Impugn the Dignity and Authority of the said Parliament: *And farder*, The Queens Majesty with Consent foresaid, *Statutes* and *Declares* that it shall be high Treason in any of the Subjects of this Kingdom to Quarrel, Impugn or endeavour by Writing, malicious and advised Speaking, or other open Act or Deed, to alter or innovate the *Claim of Right* or any Article thereof.

IV.

ACT *Anent Leesing-makers and Slanderers,*

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY, considering that by the Acts of Parliament following, *viz.* The Act *James* First Parliament 2*d. Cap*: 43. Intituled *Leesing-makers tynes Life and Goods*, Act *Ja*: 5*th.* Parliament 6*th Cap.* 83: *of Leesing-makers*, Act *Ja. 6th. Par.* 8. *Cap.* 134. *Anent Slanderers of the King his Progenitors and Realm*, Act *Ja*: 6*th*, *Parl.* 10. *Cap.* 10. Intituled *Authors of Slanderous Papers or Writs should be punished to the Death*, Act *Ja.* 6th. *Parl.* 14*th. Cap.* 205. *Anent Leesing-makers and Authors of Slanders*, and Act *Ja. 6th. Parl.* 20. *Cap.* 9 Intituled *Act against Scandalous Speeches and Libels*, the Crimes therein mentioned are made Capital and punishable by Death and Confiscation, and that the saids Laws have been lyable to Streatches, and that in respect of their generality, and the various Construction which the same may admit, they may be as to the foresaid Capital punishment of dangerous Consequence, *Doth therefore* with Advice and Consent of the Estates of Parliament, Abrogate and Discharge in all time coming the foresaid Sanction and pain of death and Confilcation contained in the saids Acts: And *Statutes* and *Ordains*, that the punishment of the Crimes therein mentioned shall for hereafter only be Arbitrary according to the demerit of the Transgression that is by Fineing, Imprisonment or Banishment, or if the party Offender be poor and not able to pay a Fine, then to be punished in his Body (Life and Limb always preserved)

V.

V.

Act *Anent Peace and War.*

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY, with Advice and Conſent of the Eſtates of Parliament, *Statutes*, *Enacts* and *Declares*, That after Her Majeſties Deceaſe and failzieing Heirs of Her Body, no perſon being King or Queen of *Scotland* and *England* ſhall have the ſole power of making War with any Prince, Potentat or State whatſomever without conſent of Parliament; and that no Declaration of War without conſent foreſaid ſhall be binding on the Subjects of this Kingdom, Declaring alwiſe that this ſhall no ways be underſtood to impede the Sove-reign of this Kingdom to call furth, Command and Imploy the Subjects thereof to ſuppreſs any Inſurrection within the Kingdom, or repell any Invaſion from Abroad, according to former Laws; And alſo Declaring, That every thing which relates to Treaties of Peace, Alliance & Commerce, is left to the Wiſdom of the Soveraign with Conſent of the Eſtates of Parliament who ſhall declare the War: And Her Majeſty with Conſent foreſaid Repells, Caſſes and Annuls all former Acts of Parliament in ſo far as they are contrair hereunto or inconſiſtent herewith.

VI.

Act *and* Commission *anent the publick* Accompts.

September 16. 1703.

FORASMUCHAS, many great Sums of Money have been raised for payment of the Forces in this Kingdom, and for the support of the Government since the Eleventh Day of *April* 1689 years, That the late King *William* and Queen *Mary* were declared King and Queen of this Realm; And it being just and reasonable that Her Majesty and the Kingdom maybe informed and satisfyed if all the saids Sums of Money have been faithfully and truly expended and imployed for the ends and uses for which the same were granted: *Therefore* Her Majesty with Advice and Consent of the Estates of Parliament, Nominats, Constitutes and appoints the Earls of *Galloway*, *Northesk*, *Balcarras*, *Dunmore*, aud the Viscount of *Stair*, *Robert Dundass* of *Arnistoun*, Sir *John Lauder* of *Fountainhal*, *John Halden* of *Glenagles*, *William Seton* of *Pitmedden* younger, *James Ogilvie* of *Boyne* younger, *Colline Campbel*, Mr. *John Clark*, Mr. *Douglas Stewart*, Sir *David Cuninghame*, Mr. *Robert Frazer* to be Commissioners (and the Major part of them to be a *Quorum*) for taking of the Accompts of all Moneys of the publick Revenues, which were in the hands of the Collectors of the Cess, Commissaries of the Forces, Tacksmen and Collectors of the Cess and Excise, upon the said Eleventh day of *April* 1689, and of all Arrears thereof, and of all Cess, inland Excise annexed or additional, Pole-money, Hearth-money & Tunnage falling due since the said Eleventh of *April* 1689, and how and in what manner and by whom, & to whom the same hath been ordered, payed and disposed; as also for taking the Accompts of all the Stores, Provisions, Habulziements for War which were in any of Her Majesties Garrisons, Store-houses or elsewhere, upon the said Eleventh day of *April*, and to set down what Sums of Money, Provisions, Stores and other Things whatsomever have been provided, payed or disposed of at any time since the said Eleventh day of *April* 1689, for the payment or maintenance of the Forces or other publick Charges, and for buying, furnishing and setting to Sea the Ships of War that were bought for the use of the Nation; And for the better enabling of the saids Commissioners or their *Quorum* foresaid to take the saids Accompts, They are hereby impowered and authorized to c

for the Clerks of the Exchequer, General Receivers, Tacksmen, and Collectors of the Excise, Commissaries and Pay-masters of the Forces, Collectors and Tacksmen of the Pole-money, Hearth-money and Tunnage, and all other persons imployed in managing, paying, receiving or disposing of the said Supply, Excise, Pole-money, Hearth money and Tunnage and all Provisions, Victuals and Stores of War, and to call for all other persons whatsomever whom the saids Commissioners or their *Quorum* shall think fit to examine in order to the taking off and enquiring into the saids Accompts; And for the better executing of the said Commission the saids Commissioners or their *Quorum* are hereby Impowered and Authorized to send for such Books, Papers, Writings or Records as they shall judge necessary for their Information in all things relating to the said Accompts, and to take Information upon Oath for the better Discovery of the Inquiries to be made: And it is specially provided that whoever shall make Discovery of any Imbazlements or Misapplications of the saids Fonds shall have Ten of the hundred of what shall be discovered for their pains. *And farder*, the saids Commissioners or their *Quorum* are hereby Impowered to enquire into and examine any Briberies or Corruptions in any persons concerned in the managing, ordering, paying, receiving or disposing of the said publick Moneys, if any such Briberies or Corruptions have been used. *As Likeways*, the saids Commissioners or their *Quorum* are hereby Authorized and Required to call for the Muster-masters and see if they have done their Duty in relation to the Mustering of the Forces, and what Faults and Neglects have been on their part. *As also*, to enquire if all the Regiments, Companies and Troops have alwise been kept full, according to the Establishment, and if the Commanders in chief, Collonels and other Officers have been any wise wanting in that matter, and have not had their Regiments, Companies and Troops full according to the Establishment, that a particular Accompt thereof be set down, and the saids Commissioners or their *Quorum*, are hereby Impowered and Authorized to call for all persons whom they shall think fit, and examine them upon Oath, and to call for all such Papers, Books, Writings or Records as they shall judge necessary for their Information in this matter. *As also* the saids Commissioners or their *Quorum* are hereby authorized and required to enquire into and take trial of what Eases and Abatements have been granted and to whom, and this Act and Commission is to endure to the next Session of Parliament. *But it is hereby provided*, that all persons who are obliged to Compt to Her Majesty for such Sums of Money as are and shall be received and given out by them shall still be obliged to compt to the Lords of Thesaury or Lord High Thesaurer or Thesaurer Deput for the time, for the Sums received and given out by them, according to the usual custom, notwithstanding of any thing contained in this Act; And the saids Commissioners are hereby ordained to make a Report of their Proceedings in the said Matter in Writing to the next Session of Parliament,

providing alwiſe that the proceedings already made by former Commiſ
ſions of Parliament anent the Pole money given by the Parliament 169
ſhall ſtand in full force, with power to the ſaids Commiſſioners and thei
Quorum foreſaid to proceed where the former Commiſſion left, towar
the concluding that Affair, by making a dividend of the Money no
in the hands of the Caſhier of the former Commiſſion, according t
the ſeveral juſt Pretenſions of the Officers, and the firſt dyet of their Mee
ing is hereby appointed to be at the low Council Houſe of *Edinburgh* th
firſt lawful Day after this Seſſion of Parliament by Ten a Clock in th
Forenoon, with power to Adjourn their Meetings thereafter to ſuch Time
and Places as they ſhall think convenient. *And Laſtly*, Providing tha
this Act and Commiſſion ſhall not prejudge Her Majeſties Right of An
nexation of the ſaid Exciſe, by vertue of any former Act of Parliamen

VII.

Act *Diſcharging Butchers to be Graſiers.*

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY, wit
Advice and Conſent of the Eſtat
of Parliament, Do hereby *Prohibi*
and *Diſcharge* all Butchers
Fleſhers to Take, Brook, or Poſſe
either by themſelves, or any othe
for their Uſe and Behove, directly
or indirectly any Parks, Incloſure
or any other Lands whatſomeve
leſs or more, exceeding one Acre
under the Penalty of one Hundre
Pound *Scots* for each time the
Contraveen; And alſe to Forefau
the whole Nolt and Sheep tha
ſhall be found in the ſaids Parks
Incloſures, and Graſeings belongin
to them, the one half thereof to
be imployed for Her Majeſties Uſe, and the other half to the informer
And farder, Do hereby *Declare* the Contraveener to loſe his Freedom
as an Burgeſs in all the Burghs of this Kingdom. *And likewiſe*, Declare
all Tacks already made, or to be made with any Butcher or Fleſher, o
for their Behoof, anent the Sett or Farm of all Parks, Incloſures, and
other

other Lands whatſomever, exceeding an Acre to each Butcher or Fleſher, (unleſs the ſamen be Tilled and Sowen with Corns yearly) to terminat, and be void and null after the Term of *Whitſunday* next to come. *And farder*, Her Majeſty with Advice and Conſent foreſaid, *Statutes* and *Ordains*, that it ſhall be leiſome to all perſons whatſomever, to Sell, and Break all ſorts of Fleſhes on every lawful day of the Week, and that in all the Burghs and Towns of this Kingdom, free of any Impoſition whatſomever, the petty Cuſtom of Burgh excepted.

VIII.

ACT in favours of the Company Trading to Africa *and the* Indies:

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY the Queens Majeſty, taking into Conſideration, the many Obſtructions, Loſſes and Diſappointments which the Company of this Her ancient Kingdom Trading to *Africa* and the *Indies*, have from time to time met with, in the proſecution of their lawfull Endeavours, for advancing the Intereſt of ſo National a Concern; and being moſt willing to give them Her Royal Countenance and Protection, in all their juſt Deſigns and Undertakings: Doth with Advice and Conſent of the Eſtates of Parliament, as a Mark of Her Royal Favour, *Ratifie*, *Approve* and *Confirm*, the 8 Act of the 5*th Seſſion* of *K. Williams Parliament*, with the Letters patent following thereupon, in all the Heads, Clauſes, Articles and Conditions therein contained; As alſo the 13*th*. *Act* of the 8 and 9*th*. *Seſſions* of the ſame Parliament, and all others already paſt in favours of the ſaid Company: And likeways Her Majeſty with Conſent foreſaid, *Declares*, that as the ſaid Company is fully and ſufficiently Authorized and impowered to grant Permiſſion and communicat it's Priviledges to others, whether Natives or Forraigners; So in like manner, all Perſons and Ships trading to *Aſia*, *Africa*, or *America*, by Commiſſion or Permiſſion under the ſaid Companies Seal, and returning to *Scotland* in the Terms of the ſaid Act of Parliament, and Letters patent, are, and ſhall be thereby Entitled to, and Inveſted with all the Priviledges and Immunities contained in the ſaid

Acts, as fully and freely in all respects, as if the absolute Property of both Ship and Cargo did intirely belong to the said *Company*.

IX.

ACT *Discharging Importation of* Irish *Victual, Beef and Cattel.*

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAICN LADY, with Advice and Consent of the Estates of Parliament, *Ratifies* and *Approves* the 3*d* Act. 3*d*. *Sess*. 2*d*: *Parl*. *King Charles* 2*d*. 1672. Entituled, Act *discharging the Importation of* Irish *Victual* : As also, the 14 Act of the 2*d*. *Sess*. of the 1*st*. *Parl*. of King *James* the 7*th* 1686. Intituled, Act *against Importing* Irish *Victual or Cattel*, excepting the Clause in the said 2*d*. Act 1686. *That all the Victual that shall be imported shall be sunk and destroyed*; Declaring, that in place thereof, it shall only be Confiscat as in the said former Act 1672. And farder, for the more effectual Prohibition of the importing of the said *Irish* Victual prohibited, to be imported by the saids Acts; Her Majesty with Advice and Consent foresaid, *Statutes* and *Declares*, that all Importers of the said *Irish* Victual, als well the Masters as Seamen of the Vessels wherein it is imported; As also, the Resetters, Sellers, Retailers, or Buyers thereof, or any part thereof wittingly, shall be not only lyable in the Fines and Penalties statute in the said Act of Parliament 1672: But likeways, all under the Degree of Heretors, shall be delivered to any *Scots* Officer serving Her *Majesties* Allyes abroad, and to be transported by them for Recruits, when once discovered and convicted, at any time within the space of six Months after their said Delinquency; Which Delinquency may be cognosced and tryed by any Judge Ordinary, and that at the instance of any person whatsomever that shall think fit to accuse and to be proven *prout de jure*, and which Judges Ordinary, are hereby fully impowered to that effect; *Likeas*, for preventing all Connivance or Collusion in this Matter, the Seizer of any such Victual imported who for his Encouragement, is declared by the said Act 1686, to have the Vessel wherein the Import was made, to be disposed of as his own, shall be obliged first to make the Victual forth-coming to the said Judges Ordinary

Ordinary, without any Diminution or Imbazlement, and the foresaid Judge is immediatly to give an account thereof to the Lords of the Thesaury, to the effect that they may order the same to be transported furth of the Kingdom with the first conveniency; The Product whereof shall belong to the said Seizer or Discoverer: And if the said Judge Ordinar shall failzie therein, or shall any manner of way Collude or Connive with the foresaids Importers, or shall accept of a Bribe from them, either directly or indirectly, by Servants, or others intrusted or imployed by him for that effect, or shall Transact or Compone with the said Importers, or any others for their behove, otherways than in the precise Terms of the Acts of Parliament above-mentioned; Then, and in either of these Cases, the said Judge Ordinary shall be fined in the Sum of one thousand pound *Scots toties quoties*, the said thousand pound to belong wholly to the Informer; And farder, shall be declared incapable of all publick Trust for ever thereafter; And it is furder hereby provided and Declared, that it shall be lawfull for any person whatsomever to inform against, and prosecute the foresaid Judges Ordinary before the Lords of privy Council, Lords of Session, Commissioners of Justiciary, or other Judges competent as they shall think fit, and that at any time within two years after committing of the Facts. *And farder*, Her Majesty with Advice and Consent foresaid, extends the foresaid Acts hereby ratified, as also this present Act, with the Prohibition and pains therein contained against all importing by Sea or Land, and against all Buying, Selling, Resetting and Retailing wittingly of any Victual from *England*, or any Countrey whatsomever into this Kingdom, excepting alwise that Wheat, Pease and Beans for Seed, may be imported from *England*, upon payment of Fourty Shilling more than the ordinary Custom *per* Boll, if fairly imported and entered, or otherways the said Import of the said Wheat, Pease and Beans, though by Land, shall be judged an unlawful Import, and lyable to the pains above-mentioned, attour the Confiscation of the Horses that shall be made use of for the said Import; And farder, for preventing all Fraud in this Matter, under the collour of transporting Victual from one Port or Place in the Western Shires mentioned in the said Act 1672. It is *Statute* and *Ordained*, that the Transporters thereof shall bring Certificats from the Heretors, or their Factors, upon whose Lands the said Victual transported grew, testifying the same in the precise Quantity and Quality to be the Grouth thereof; Which Certificats shall be first shown to the Judge Ordinary of the Port or Place to which the said Transport is made, before the Victual be Livered or Unloaded, otherways the foresaid Victual shall be holden to be unlawfully imported, and the Importers, Resetters, Sellers, Retailers, and the Buyers above mentioned, lyable to all the Pains foresaid; *Likeas*, the Granters of the said Certificats, if found to be false, or the said Judge at the foresaid Port or Place to which the Transport is pretended to be made failzeing in his Duty, or any ways conniving against the true Meaning of this Act, shall be lyable for the same Pains as if unlawful Importers. And it is Declared, that the Vessels wherein the said prohibited Import

is made, may be not only Arrested, Leased, or Confiscat, where, and when the Import is first made, but at any place or time thereafter, within the space of two years: It is alwise hereby provided, That when by reason of Dearth, the prices of Victual, exceed the Rates aftermentioned, *viz.* Wheat Twelve *pound* the Boll, Bear, Barley-malt and Meal, Eight *pound per* Boll, and Oats and Pease six *pound per* Boll: The Lords of Her Majesties Privy Council shall have power after due tryal by them taken, to Suspend and Discharge the Execution of the said prohibitory Acts for such Space and Time as the exigence of the said Dearth shall require, and no longer; As also Her Majesty with Advice and Consent foresaid, Prohibits and Discharges the importing into this Kingdom of any Horse, Kine or other *Irish* Cattel whatsomever, and all kind of *Irish* Beef, upon any pretext whatsomever, and if any Collector, Surveyer or Waiter, shall connive at the importing of any such Kine, Horses, Cattel, Beef or Victual, they shall *ipso facto* be deprived of their said Offices, and declared incapable of any publick Office within this Kingdom in time coming, and that the Importers shall incurr the Penalties and Certifications contained in this or any other former Acts anent Importation of any *Irish* Victual or Cattel; And hereby Rescinds, Casses and Annulls, all Acts and Clauses of Acts impowering the Lords of privy Council to give Licence for importing Horses, Nolt, or other Cattel Beef or Victual, except in the case of Dearth foresaid.

X.

ACT

Continuing the Prohibition of Exporting English or Irish *Wooll* till the next *Session of Parliament* inclusive.

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY and Estates of Parliament, Considering, That by the 9*th* Act 9*th. Session* King *Williams Parliament*, Intituled, *Act discharging the Exportation of Wool*, It is Declared, that notwithstanding the general prohibition, yet as to the Export of *English* and *Irish* Wool, the prohibition should only endure to the then next Session of Parliament *inclusive*, whereby the Prohibition is terminate, and Her Majesty and Estates of Parliament also considering the prejudice that would arise to the Manufactories of this Nation and im

improvement thereof, by Exporting *Engliſh* or *Iriſh* Wool: Do therefore continue the Prohibition as to *Engliſh* and *Iriſh* Wool until the next Seſſion of Parliament *incluſive*, And all perſons whatſomever, are hereby Diſcharged upon any pretence, to Export any ſort or kind of Wool under the pain and penalties contained in the Act abovementioned. *Providing* always, that notwithſtanding any thing in this or the foreſaid Act, or any former Law, it ſhall be leiſum to export all ſort of Sheep-Skins and Lamb-Skins with Wooll upon them or otherways, untill the ſaid next Seſſion of Parliament *incluſive*, Declaring nevertheleſs that it ſhall not be lawful to export ſuch Skins from any other Ports within this Kingdom, excepting theſe of *Burrowſtounneſs*, *New port-Glaſgow* and *Dumfries*. And Her Majeſty with Advice and Conſent foreſaid, Ordains the ſaid Skins to be packed at the ſaid Ports, in preſence of the Collector or Surveyer thereof, who ſhall be obliged to ſeal the ſaids Packs *gratis* without delay, with power to any of the Woollen Manufactories, or Deaconries of the Glovers within this Kingdom, to commiſſionat a perſon to attend at the ſaids Ports, and to concur with the Collector or Surveyor in packing and Sealing the ſaid Skins; Which Skins ſhall be lyable to a Duty of Five *per Cent* of the Value, in place of all other Duty, to be exacted by the Collector without Abatement, (excepting mort-Lamb-Skins, which are hereby allowed to be exported at any Port in the Nation, free of any Duty whatſomever:) And the Value of the ſaid Skins is to be according as the Owner or Exporter thereof ſhall eſtimat the ſame under his Hand, at, or before Sealing; And for preventing Fraud, the Owner or Exporter ſhall be bound to ſell the ſame at the Eſtimat he puts upon them, the Price being payed, or really offered in ready Money by the ſaid perſon to be commiſſionat by the Manufactories or Glovers, or any other perſon who ſhall be obliged to manufacture the ſame within the Kingdom; And in caſe of ſuch payment, or real Offer, and refuſal of the price, the Exportation is hereby prohibited; And it is hereby Declared, that albeit the Wooll whether *Scots*, *Engliſh* or *Iriſh* be not found or ſeized before Exportation, nor the Delinquents whether Merchants, Exporters, Maſters, Skippers of Boats or Barks, Collectors, Surveyers or Waiters, or other Connivers, Aſſiſters, or Abettors; Their Delinquency or Contravention of the foreſaid Act, may be proven by their Oath, or otherways as accords of the Law; And all this but prejudice of the foreſaid Act, which ſtill ſtands in it's full force, except in ſo far as it is hereby altered.

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XI.

ACT

Allowing the Importation of Wines and other Forraign Liquors.

September 16. 1703.

OUR SOVERAIGN LADY, with Advice and Consent of the Estates of Parliament, *Statutes* and *Declares*, That it shall be lawful from and after the Date hereof, to import into this Kingdom all sorts of Wines and other Forraign Liquors, any former Act or Statute in the contrary notwithstanding, Which Her Majesty with Advice and Consent foresaid, Rescinds and Declares void and null, in so far as they are inconsistent with, or contrair to this present Act; That saids Wines or other Liquors which shall be imported, paying alwes the former Customes, Excise and other Duties, *Reserving* to the Peers and Barrons of the Kingdom the same Immunities and Freedoms from Customs for Wines which they had by the Two hundred fifty one Act fifteen Parliament King *James* the Sixth.

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